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- **QUESTION 1.** (i) Let *R* be a commutative ring with $1 \neq 0$ and *I* be a proper ideal of *R*. Then we know that I[X] is a proper ideal of R[X]. Prove that $\sqrt{I[X]} = \sqrt{I}[X]$.
- (ii) Let $f : R \to S$ be a ring epimorphism, where R and S are commutative rings with one. Given r is a prime element of R. Give an example of such f, where f(r) is not a prime element of S, f(r) is not a unit of S, and $f(r) \neq 0$.
- (iii) Let $f : R \to S$ be a ring monomorphism, where R and S are commutative rings with one. Given r is an irreducible element of R. Prove that f(r) is an irreducible element of Image(f). Give an example of such f, where f(r) is not an irreducible element of S.
- (iv) Let R be a commutative ring with $1 \neq 0$. Give me an example of a proper ideal D of R[X] such that $D \neq I[X]$ for some proper ideal I of R.
- (v) Let R and S be commutative rings with $1 \neq 0$, and $D = R \times S$. Let J be an ideal of D. It is easy to see that $J = I_1 \times I_2$ for some ideal I_1 of R, and some ideal I_2 of S (you don't need to show that).
 - a. Prove that $\frac{D}{I_1 \times I_2}$ is ring-isomorphic to $R/I_1 \times S/I_2$.
 - b. Let *L* be a proper ideal of *D*. Prove that *L* is prime if and only if $L = P \times S$ for some prime ideal *P* of *R* or $L = R \times K$ for some prime ideal *K* of *S*.
 - c. Let L be a proper ideal of D. Prove that L is maximal if and only if $L = P \times S$ for some maximal ideal P of R or $L = R \times K$ for some maximal ideal K of S.

QUESTION 2. Note that every ideal of a ring R is a subring of R. Let R be a commutative ring with $1 \neq 0$.

- (i) Let J, I be ideals of R. Prove that $\frac{J+I}{I}$ is ring isomorphic to $\frac{J}{I \cap I}$.
- (ii) Let M, K be distinct maximal ideals of R. Prove that $\frac{M}{M \cap K}$ is a field

QUESTION 3. Let *R* and *S* are commutative rings with one.

- (i) Let $I \subseteq J$ be proper ideals of R. Prove that $\frac{J}{I}$ is a prime ideal of R/I if and only if J is a prime ideal of R.
- (ii) Let f be a ring epimorphism from R onto S, and $ker(f) \subseteq J$ be proper ideals of R. Prove that f(J) is a prime ideal of S if and only if J is a prime ideal of R.
- (iii) Let f be a ring epimorphism from R onto S. Let D be a prime ideal of S. Prove that D = f(L) for some prime ideal L of R such that $Ker(f) \subseteq L$.

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